

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 STATE 038217

62

ORIGIN SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /026 R

FRA F E D BY OES/NET/RD:JBDEVINE:LMT
APPROVED BY OES/NET/RD:HDBENGELSDORF
EA/K - MR. WILLIAM GLEYSSTEEN
OES/APT - MR. THEODORE SELLIN
ERDA - MR. ROBERT SLAWSEN
PM/NPO - MR. GERALD OPLINGER
NRC - MR. ROBERT STELLA (PARA 3)
S/P - MR. JAN KALICKI
ERDA - MR. RICHARD WILLIT (PARA 2)
ACDA - MR. CHARLES VAN DOREN
S/S:PSHANKLE

----- 125822

P 180049Z FEB 76

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY SEOUL PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY

USMISSION USUN NEW YORK PRIORITY

USMISSION IAEA VIENNA PRIORITY

S E C R E T STATE 038217

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TECH, ENRG, KS

SUBJECT: US-ROK SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

REF: (A) SEOUL 0900 (B) SEOUL 0550 (C) SEOUL 0658
(D) TOKYO 2261

1. YOU MAY INFORM MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CHOE
NYUNG-SUP THAT ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY KRATZER AND OTHER
APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON OFFICIALS WILL BE PLEASED TO MEET
WITH HIM IN WASHINGTON IN LATE APRIL TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 STATE 038217

ON FUTURE SCIENCE AND ENERGY COOPERATION. PLEASE INFORM US

OF HIS TRAVEL PLANS ONCE DATES ARE FIRM.

2. WITH REGARD TO SPECIFIC AREAS OF POSSIBLE SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION OUTLINED IN JANUARY 24 RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS, ERDA IS IN FINAL STAGES OF ARRANGING FOR REACTIVATION OF SISTER LABORATORY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN KAERI AND ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY. A LETTER TO MINISTER CHOE TRANSMITTING A DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WILL BE POUCHED TO EMBASSY FOR DELIVERY SHORTLY. EMBASSY MAY INFORM ROKG OF FOREGOING.

3. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN IN CONTACT WITH NRC REGARDING THE QUESTION OF REACTOR SAFETY AND REGULATORY COOPERATION. NRC

COMMISSIONER EDWARD MASON PLANS TO BE IN THE FAR EAST IN MID-MARCH AND HAS AGREED TO STOP IN SEOUL, IF ROKG INTERESTED IN DISCUSSING SAFETY AND REGULATORY QUESTIONS WITH HIM. PROPOSED ITINERARY BEING SENT SEPTEL, BUT HE CAN BE SEOUL ON MARCH 20 AND AVAILABLE TO REVIEW POSSIBLE FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS IN THIS FIELD WITH APPROPRIATE KOREAN OFFICIALS. PLEASE CONFIRM ROKG INTEREST IN THIS VISIT.

4. BEGIN FYI. WE ARE ALSO REVIEWING OTHER FEATURES OF THE RECORD OF DISCUSSION AND WILL KEEP YOU APPRISED OF SPECIFIC ACTIONS WE MAY TAKE. WITH REGARD TO PROPOSAL FOR A JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE, WE WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THIS FURTHER WITH CHOE IN APRIL, BUT WHATEVER POSSIBLE MECHANISM IS ESTABLISHED, OUR INVOLVEMENT WILL NOT BE AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL. WE ARE ALSO EXAMINING WHAT WE MIGHT DO TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE ROK AND PRIVATE US FIRMS, AND WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THE EX-IM BANK REGARDING POSSIBLE CREDITS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A REACTOR SIMULATOR. ON FUEL FABRICATION, WE PLAN TO REVIEW POSSIBILITIES WITH SEVERAL US COMPANIES, BEARING IN MIND EXISTING FRENCH-ROK ARRANGEMENTS. FINALLY, WE HOPE TO HAVE A DRAFT GENERAL AGREEMENT ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE IN TIME FOR THE APRIL MEETING IN WASHINGTON. IT IS NOT OUR INTENTION, HOWEVER, TO FINALIZE IT IN APRIL, BUT RATHER TO PRESENT IT TO CHOE AS THE BASIS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS. IN THIS CONNECTION, AND
SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 STATE 038217

AS A GENERAL PROPOSITION, EMBASSY SHOULD BE AWARE THAT OUR OVERALL TACTICS IN THIS EXERCISE ARE TO DEMONSTRATE POSITIVE FORWARD MOVEMENT ON THESE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF FUTURE SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION ON GRADUAL BASIS. END FYI.

5. REF. D INDICATES TOKYO SCI REP WILL MEET IN SEOUL ON FEBRUARY 24-26 WITH ROKG OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS INCREASED ROK-US TECHNICAL COOPERATION. REQUEST CLARIFICATION.

TOKYO: PASS TO ERDA REP HENOCHE INGERSOLL

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION, SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 18 FEB 1976
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: saccheem
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE038217
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760059-0711
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760239/aaaabhnc.tel
Line Count: 117
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN SS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 76 SEOUL 900, 76 SEOUL 550, 76 SEOUL 658
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: saccheem
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 30 MAR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <30 MAR 2004 by CollinP0>; APPROVED <28 JUL 2004 by saccheem>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: US-ROK SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION
TAGS: TECH, ENRG, KS, US
To: SEOUL
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006